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SUBJECT: FAR EAST TRADE SERVICE INC.

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1. PROPOSED RESPONSE TO FAR EAST TRADE SERVICE AS
OUTLINED IN PARA 2 REFTEL ACCEPTABLE.

2. EMBASSY NORMALLY REFERS CHINESE COMPLAINANTS AGAINST
AMERICAN FIRMS TO GROC AGENCIES. OCCASIONALLY
EMBASSY RECEIVES REQUESTS FROM GROC TO INTERCEDE IN
COMPLAINTS AGAINST AMERICAN FIRMS. IN THESE CASES
WE ENDEAVOR TO BE RESPONSIVE, HOWEVER, LITTLE EMBASSY
CAN DO OTHER THAN OFFERING ADVICE AND WRITING TO
AMERICAN FIRM AGAINST WHICH COMPLAINT HAS BEEN LODGED.

3. GROC TRIES TO BE OF ASSISTANCE TO EMBASSY
IN RESOLVING TRADE COMPLAINTS OF AMERICAN FIRMS ON
THESE COMPANIES, THEREFORE, WE FEEL WE MUST BE
RESPONSIVE TO THEIR REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE IN
COMPLAINTS AGAINST AMERICAN FIRMS. FRANKLY, OUR
SUCCESS IN RESOLVING TRADE COMPLAINTS,
BE THEY AGAINST CHINESE OR AMERICAN FIRMS, IS LOW
AND HARDLY COMMENSURATE WITH THE TIME AND EFFORT
EXPENDED.

4. SUGGEST SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO
RAISING MINIMUM AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRADE COMPLAINTS
FROM \$500 TO \$2,500.

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